payment has since been normalised; if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) whether new contracts in this regard have since been given from the current financial year (April, 1989), if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government have taken any action against those contractors who did not supply ration last year according to the terms and conditions laid down by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. However, rice is being issued on restricted basis due to stock position.

(b) Contracts for supply of fresh items to DID, New Delhi for the year 1989-90 have been concluded. The contracts for various dry items are concluded from time to time during the flush seasons.

(c) Risk purchase action has been invoked against defaulting contractors, as per laid down conditions.

Setting up of a VCR/VCP manufacturing Unit in Orissa

656. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a VCR/VCP manufacturing unit in Orissa;

(b) whether the Orissa Government have sent any proposal to the Department of Electronics in that regard;

(c) whether the project is pending for Government's clearance; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to give clearance to the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN):

(a) and (b) Government of Orissa has requested that the proposed project of M/s. Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation Ltd. (ET&T) be located at Bhubaneswar, ET&T is yet to complete its locational study.

(c) and (d) ET&T's revised application for manufacture of VCRs/VCPs is under consideration of the Government.

Marketing of Medicines based on Nandrolone Phenylpropionate etc.

657. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether medicines based on Nandrolone phenylproprionate, Nandrolone Decanoate, Ethyl Estranol and Testosterone propionate are being marketed in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that these drugs have very adverse effects;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that no precautionary note is being made available either to the consumers or to medical profession;

(e) if so, what steps have been taken in this regard;

(f) what are the indications and contraindications of these drugs; and

(g) what were the imports of these drugs during the last three years, year-wise; and what was the CIF value of imports each year of each drug?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The reported adverse effects of these drugs are increase in